

PULASKI COUNTY SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board of Education Meeting Minutes Tuesday, November 14, 2017 6:00 PM

In Attendance

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Absent

(None)

I. Call to Order

Dr. Remele called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

All members present.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

Brian Maune introduced Davis Wofford, Robinson High School guest Board Student, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. Public Comments

There were no Public Comments.

V. Recognitions

Maumelle High School 5A Cross Country State Championship Team

Ms. Gillen introduced Maumelle High School Cross Country coaches, Coach Tyler and Coach Henry. Ms. Gillen congratulated the coaches and team on their recent 5A State Championship. Coach Tyler and Coach Henry introduced each team member.

Plaintiff's Exhibit 60

VI. Certified P.P.C. Presentation

Ms. FItzgiven presented a proposal to the Board for a one time bonus of \$2,500 for full time certified staff and one-time bonus of \$1,250 for 1/2 time staff, to be paid in the month of December.

VII. Classified P.P.C. Presentation

Mr. Chesterfield presented a proposal for a one-time bonus for all Classified staff for \$2,500 to be paid in the month of December.

Both Ms. Fitzgiven and Mr. Chesterfield presented rationals for the proposed bonuses and figures on the cost to the District for the different bonus scenarios.

After hearing both presentations the Board scheduled a Special Board Meeting for Wednesday, November 29 to render their decision regarding the bonuses.

VIII. Reports

McPherson & Jacobson, LCC

Dr. Keith Williams, McPherson & Jacobson, LCC, made a presentation to the Board outlining the services they provide to Districts with regards to the hiring of Superintendents.

Mills High School Enhancements

Mr. Roy Horsey, Baldwin & Shell, presented change orders to be added to the contract for Mills High School enhancements. Mr. Michael Hansberry, project manager, gave an update on the construction progress and reported that the new Mills High School is now at 55% completion.

Vote to approve change orders to Mills High School

- Motion by Mike Kemp
- Seconded by Alicia Gillen

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to suspend Roberts Rules of Order to consider S.H.H.S. price proposal

- Motion by Mike Kemp
- Seconded by Eli Keller

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to approve price proposal to add \$27,000,000 to contract to begin work on classrooms at S.H.H.S.

- Motion by Mike Kemp
- Seconded by Alicia Gillen

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Construction Update - Robinson Middle School

Eldon Bock and Russ Fason, W.E.R. Architects, presented a slide presentation to the Board of the inside renderings for Robinson Middle School. Patrick Schroeder, Baldwin & Shell, presented a construction update for the school.

Presentation of the 2017-2018 Annual Report to the Public

Dr. Williams presented the 2017-2018 Report to the Public.

Bond Investment/Financial Report

Denise Palmer presented a Financial update and Bond Investment report.

IX. Action Items - Old Business

Vote to Approve 2nd readings of Board Policy Sections B, C, D, and F.

- Motion by Mike Kemp
- Seconded by Tina Ward

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Board Policy Section B- School Governance and Operations- Second Reading

Board Policy Section C- General School Administration-Second Reading

Board Policy Section D- Fiscal Management- Second Reading

Board Policy Section F- Facilities Planning and Development- Second Reading

X. Action Items - New Business

Board Policy Section I- Curriculum and Instruction- First Reading

Dr. Williams also advised the Board that she would be adding Board Policy 4.6 - Homeschooling- to the December Agenda for 1st and 2nd readings.

Vote to approve 1st reading of Board Policy Section I - Curriculum and Instruction

- Motion by Mike Kemp
- Seconded by Shelby Thomas

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Moncrief One Team Literacy Coaching

Vote to approve Moncrief One Team Literacy Coaching P.D.

- Motion by Alicia Gillen
- Seconded by Eli Keller

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Accelerated Math - Renaissance Learning, Inc.

Vote to approve Accelerated Math -Renaissance Learning, Inc.

- Motion by Alicia Gillen
- Seconded by Tina Ward

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Generation Ready Reading and Writing Support

Vote to approve Generation Ready Reading and Writing Support P.D.

- Motion by Eli Keller
- Seconded by Tina Ward

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

BloomBoard Premium Services

Vote to approve BloomBoard Premium Services

- Motion by Shelby Thomas
- Seconded by Alicia Gillen

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

XI. Comments from the Board

Dr. Remele reported that the three feeder pattern vision/mission meetings have been very successful and reminded everyone the next meeting is at Robinson High School on December 4th, 6:30 p.m. She also reminded them that the Board will meet with Mr. Horace Smith again on December 7th, 6:00 p.m. at A.S.B.A.

Ms. Ward inquired about board terms and board reorganization. Dr. Remele verified the board terms and reminded everyone that the board will once again elect officers at the December meeting.

XII. Superintendent's Comments

Dr. Warren informed the Board that the District has received notice from Mr. Johnnie Key that P.C.S.S.D. is one of the 17 districts that have been approved for A.M.I. (Alternative Method of Instruction). This will allow the District up to 5 inclement weather days to be made up by on-line instruction.

XIII. Consent Agenda

Vote to suspend Roberts Rules of Order to conduct personnel hearings prior to the Consent Agenda

- Motion by Eli Keller
- Seconded by Alicia Gillen

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel

- Motion by Brian Maune
- Seconded by Tina Ward

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to approve Consent Agenda

- Motion by Alicia Gillen
- Seconded by Shelby Thomas

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

University of Memphis Research Foundation through the Center for Research in Education Policy (CREP) Agreement

Pfeifer Kiwanis Camp Contract Agreement with PCSSD

Certified Personnel

Support Staff Personnel

Financial Reports /Bank Reconciliations

October 2017 Board Financials and AP check register

Consent Agenda - Student Expulsion

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Minutes from 10-10-17 Board Meeting

XIV. Student Hearings

XV. Employee Hearings

Hearing I

Vote to grant waiver for Diane Lindsey

- Motion by Mike Kemp
- Seconded by Shelby Thomas

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Hearing II

After all testimonies and debate, the Board entered into Executive Session at 11:02 p.m. The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 11:04 p.m.

Vote to accept Superintendent's recommendation for termination of employment contract for Elizabeth Robinson

- Motion by Alicia Gillen
- Seconded by Mike Kemp

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Hearing III

The Employee, Yolanda Thompson was a no-show for the hearing. After hearing remarks from Jay Bequette, district attorney, the board was asked to consider Reasons #1, #2, #3, #4, #5 as true and to uphold the Superintendent's recommendation for termination of the employee's contract.

Vote to accept Reason #1 to be true

- Motion by Shelby Thomas
- Seconded by Alicia Gillen

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to accept Reason #2 to be true

- Motion by Alicia Gillen
- Seconded by Brian Maune

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to accept Reason #3 to be true

- Motion by Shelby Thomas
- Seconded by Alicia Gillen

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to accept Reason #4 to be true

- Motion by Tina Ward
- Seconded by Brian Maune

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to accept Reason #5 to be true

- Motion by Tina Ward
- Seconded by Shelby Thomas

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Vote to uphold the Superintendent's recommendation for termination of the employee's contract

- Motion by Shelby Thomas
- Seconded by Brian Maune

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

Hearing IV

After hearing testimonies and debate the Board entered into Executive Session at 11:59 p.m. and reconvened into Regular Session at 12:04 a.m.

Following all personnel hearings, the Board convened into Executive Session at 12:06 a.m. to discuss personnel. The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 1:35 a.m.

Vote to reject the Superintendent's recommendation for termination of Mr. Phillip Zaffarano's contract and to reinstate the employee with probabation for the 2017-2018 school year with the stipulations that employee repeat entry level security training and enroll in deescalation and anger management training, additionally, the employee to be suspended without pay for three days

- Motion by Brian Maune
- Seconded by Shelby Thomas

In Favor

Alicia Gillen, Eli Keller, Mike Kemp, Brian Maune, Linda Remele, Shelby Thomas, Tina Ward

Opposed

(None)

XVI. Adjournment

Mr. Keller made a motion to adjourn at 1:37 a.m.